Lac La Biche Herald

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LAC LA BICHE NEWS

LAC LA BICHE—Miss Annette Coutney has been home for the past week. Annette was in an accident in Edmonton and cut two of her right fingers badly. Miss Coutney is an employee of the Continental Oil Co.

Mr. George Coutney (one of our local boys) has left us to work with the Heilard Oil Exploration Co.

The New Fashion Barber Shop has remained closed for a week, as the barber was away on his honeymoon trip. He was married Sunday night, Jan. 23, to Cecile Dubois who is employed with the Treasury Branch here.

PLAMONDON NEWS

PLAMONDON. — Mr. and Mrs. Valmore, Plamondon, are very proud of their newly adopted daughter.

Mr. Ferdinand Plamondon is in an Edmonton hospital, seriously ill after undergoing a surgical operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Plamondon made a business trip to Edmonton this week.

Mrs. Phil Johnson and Allen returned from the city.

Mr. George Linnen was seen around town over the week-end.

Mr. Jules Bossel of Atmore made a short call to Plamondon.

Mr. Carron was seen on a business visit to Plamondon.

Mr. Elmer and William Plamondon were on a holiday in Lac la Biche.

Mr. Emile Richard was seen around town.

Mr. Wilbert Gauthier has now increased the power to an all day system. This is a big advantage and quite an enterprise in a place of this size, to have all day power. Congratulations Wilbert.

Nothing new on the oil wells, Dewey.

Mr. Dewey Plamondon writes from B.C. He wants more news in the paper. So folks come on, hand over any local items you may have. The people away from home appreciate these little things that may not seem important to us. Hand your news events in to your local reporter.

Mr. Swim Plamondon writes also from Bridesville, B.C., for more news.

Reports are that Mrs. Charlie Johnson is doing well in an Edmonton hospital.

Mr. Octive Chevigney fell on the ice and injured his wrist.

Mr. Fred Masterson also fell on the ice and injured his knee.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gauthier and family have moved to Edmonton where Alfred is employed.

St. Catharine's Hospital News

BIRTHS:

LAC LA BICHE — To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tkachuk of Lac la Biche, a daughter, Jan. 26.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kanoza of Craigend, a daughter, Jan. 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bourassa of Gourin, a son, Jan. 27.

RECEIVING MEDICAL TREATMENT

Mrs. Daniel Thomas and daughter Judith Lee, Mrs. Frank Jones of Egremont, Gail Hayduk, Mrs. John Shipka of Venice, Mrs. Paul Sampietro of Lac la Biche.

"THE MAN BORN TO BE KING"

It is good news indeed that the great radio plays on the Life of our Lord, "The Man Born to be King," by Dorothy Sayers, which were heard originally in Canada in 1944 will be broadcast again in 1949 by the CBC, commencing Monday, January 31, and culminating with the broadcast of the 11th play on the Crucifixion in Holy Week and of "The King Comes To His Own," being the story of the first Easter on Easter Monday. The plays go over the Dominion Network, originating at 9:10 p.m. E.S.T., CJBC, Toronto, carried coast to coast.

Lac la Biche School Division No. 51

PERSONNEL OF STAFF
1948-49

List gives name of teacher, name and number of school district, and address:

Sister Marie E. Robert, Plamondon, 2696, Plamondon; Sister F. Gibeau, Plamondon, 2696, Plamondon; Miss Gagnon, supt., Plamondon, 2696, Plamondon; Sister Helen Fortier, prin., Plamondon, 2696, Plamondon; Miss Eva Henderson, supt., Fork Lake, 3155, Fork Lake; Miss C. Kilar, Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Mrs. O. Dorish, Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Annie Plamondon, Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Sister A. Blais, Lac la Biche; 3305, Lac la Biche; Miss Vera Welsh ,Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Mr. Humphrey Senetza, Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Sister E. Montpellier, Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Pearl Hayduk, Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Mr. W. H. Gimby, prin., Lac la Biche, 3305, Lac la Biche; Miss Ann Holowenko, supt., Bouvier, 3308, Egg Lake; St. Cecile, 3377, Normandeau.

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M. Y. LANGEVIN,
Sec.-Treas., S.D. No. 51.

Wedding

COUTNEY-DUBOIS

On Sunday, Jan. 23, Miss Cecile Dubois, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Dubois of St. Paul, Alta., became the bride of Mr. Ernest Coutney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coutney of Lac la Biche.

The young couple are well known here as Cecile has been employed at the local office of the Treasury Branch for several years and the Coutneys are old-timers in the district.

Romeo Coutney was best man and Irene Dubois, bridesmaid. Immediate members of the family witnessed the ceremony which was performed by Rev. J. E. McGrane, P.P.

After a honeymoon the newlyweds have now made their home in Lac la Biche.

CASLAN NEWS

CASLAN.—Mr. Sam Johnston and Mike Patrick have returned home after being on their trap line at Mile 218.

At the Caslan school meeting the board of directors remained the same with John Sawka as seccretary, Walter Meyer as chairman and Nick Wolansky as the other trustee.

Mrs. J. Bury, Loretta and Willard Bury, Mr. E. W. Meyer and Alex Adaszynski were all in Boyle last Monday.

Mrs. Olga Trenchie of Thorhild is back again with her sister, Mrs. S. Cislo.

Mr. Joe Krumpic and Alex Adaszynski went to Lac la Biche by truck Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Johnson are visiting their relatives in the district.

Survey Party In Lac la Biche

LAC LA BICHE — The Heilard Exploration Co. has a crew of five Americans and several Canadians here in Lac la Biche. George Coutney, Peter Ingram, Don Mack and Ira Kebbe are working with them. The Heilard Exploration company is responsible for the surveying of the land in which the Red Water and Leduc oil fields were discovered. They are now surveying the land around Lac la Biche.

Board of Trade News

LAC LA BICHE — The Lac la Biche Board of Trade met Tuesday evening, Jan. 25, in the town hall with a total of eight members present. The board's membership being 36, this is a very poor showing.

The local board has been instrumental in obtaining for Lac la Biche and district certain very important improvements this past year:

1. Having the snow removed from the Lac la Biche - Boyle highway.
2. A funeral home in Lac la Biche.
3. The Lac la Biche Herald.
4. Highway from Brierville to Lac la Biche, which we are endeavoring to have gravelled this year.

At the present time we are endeavoring to obtain for Lac la Biche a fish hatchery which every fisherman knows is very badly needed in this district. Also we are working on the plan to have the highway gravelled either by way of Newbrook or Colinton.

Only by having the undivided efforts of all members and prospective members can we achieve these undertakings. The local board meets the last Tuesday in each month, so set aside these dates for the purpose of attending these meetings. Remember your village is only as strong as your Board of Trade.

Watch for posters on indoor carnival to be held on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 18 and 19.

This money to be used to further benefit your village.

NORAL NOTES

NORAL.—Mr. and Mrs. John Wolansky visited his parents at Caslan. Mr. Wolansky is manager for the Hylo Co-op store.

Mr. George Skoreyko has built a new caboose to replace the old one which was broken.

Mr. John Kaduik returned home after being in Edmonton for a few days.

Mr. Alex Holoch and Alex Adaszynski sold a load of posts in Andrew recently.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mahowich is now staying at her mother's place while her husband is working in the sawmills.

Mr. Walter Boyko returned from Edmonton where he was having his glasses changed.

Miss Lucille Perron has returned to Noral school after being in hospital for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Dobrownz have moved to Noral for the winter.

The country roads are getting blocked by drifting snow and the the farmers from South Noral have a tough time travelling with their cars.

There was a show at Noral on January 26 and it was very successful. The weather turned mild and lots of people attended.

Mr. John Phaw of Frains visited his daughter, Mrs. Alisia Waselenchuk at Caslan, and together with his son-in-law they went to Lac la Biche.

Miss Jean Skoreyko has taken a position in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Juknies were visiting the Meyer's family last Sunday.

Weather

LAC LA BICHE—Temperatures for week ending Jan. 31 at 05:30 M.S.T.

Maximum	28.5
Minimum	-24.6

Lac la Biche Board of Trade Indoor Carnival

LAC LA BICHE — The Lac la Biche Board of Trade is holding an indoor carnival on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 18 and 19. This money will be used to further sports in Lac la Biche.

The following merchants have kindly donated prizes to be given away to the lucky winners at bingo: Haywards Lumber Co.; McCullough and Marcotte Beauty Parlor, B. & L. General Store, H. Lobay Hardware, T. Varze Drug Store, Brite Spot Cafe, Patterson & Co. General Store, M. Hamar General Store, Hudson's Bay Co., Lac la Biche Creamery, Letts New and Second Hand Store.

We are still open for further donations from merchants or business places not listed in the above. Further donations will be accepted by the secretary-treasurer at any time between now and Feb. 18.

Remember the dates and come out and support a worthy cause.

MISSION NEWS

LAC LA BICHE — Emile Richard of Lac la Biche was here on a business trip this week.

Miss Shawb of Plamondon is working for her aunt, Mrs. Leo Cloutier.

Emeline Ladouceur and her friend were visiting her parents. She will return by bus Saturday to her work.

Alfred Routhier, who was working in the bush, had an accident, after which he was taken to St. Catherine's hospital. He is now back home but not quite well enough to go back to work.

Andre Cloutier, Germain Routier, Hilaire Ladouceur and Fred were here Wednesday to assist at the funeral of Albertine Ladouceur. Welly Ladouceur from Edmonton was also here and Mike Smolack and Alvina Francoise.

Albertine Ladouceur died Sunday, Jan. 23, at 7:00 o'clock in the morning at the residence of her father. She was 23. Many relatives and friends were present at the funeral which took place at the Mission church. Rev. Gerard Father Minard officiated. Many floral tributes were given. Greatest sympathy is extended to the family.

Albertine Ladouceur is survived by her parents, brothers Hilaire, George, Welly, Edgar, and sisters (Marie) Mrs. Charles Boucher, (Alvina) Mrs. Antoine Bouvier and Francoise.

Mrs. George Ladouceur is a patient in an Edmonton hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

George Ladouceur made a business trip to the city.

Increases Mink Pens

LAC LA BICHE.—One of our late mink farmers, E. A. Jones, Trail's End Fur Farm, extended his mink ranch to 122 females this including Standards, Silverblues and Pastels. Their daughter Elsie and son-in-law N. L. Young, joined the Jones Fur Farm as partners last June.

Mr. Jones and N. L. Young entered nine mink last October at the Lac la Biche Mink Show and got two first prizes, 2 seconds, one third and the grand champion for outstanding Pastel male of the show. Mr. and Mrs. Jones' son Albert joined the staff of L. Rudigger Lac la Biche Garage as welder.

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WHY TAKE CHANCES?

Subscribing for, rather than borrowing, a newspaper may be the most convenient and least troublesome way to get your reading done, according to the following item which appeared recently in the Selma (Alabama) Times Journal:

> "A man, too stingy to subscribe to his hometown paper, sent his little boy to borrow a copy from his neighbor. In haste, the boy ran over a stand of bees and, in 10 minutes, he looked like a warty summer squash. His father ran to his assistance and, failing to notice the barbed wire fence, ran into that, ruining a $9 pair of pants.
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> "The old cow took advantage of the gap in the fence, got in the corn field and killed herself eating green corn. Hearing the commotion, his wife ran out, upset a four-gallon churn of cream into a basket of little chickens, drowning the entire batch. In her haste, she dropped a $35 set of false teeth.
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> "The baby ,being left alone, crawled through the cream into the parlor, ruining a brand new $50 carpet. During the excitement, the oldest daughter eloped with the hired man, the dog broke up 11 setting hens and the calves got out and chewed the tails off four fine shirts on the clothes line.
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> "Moral: Don't borrow your neighbor's paper: it's too risky."

Frankly, we are inclined to feel that this man's misfortunes were the exception rather than the general rule. But reports are that he took no more chances.—The Argus Farmer.

BIGGEST MEETING PLACE

There isn't a hall in this town big enough to seat all the folks of this community. In fact, all of them never have come together inside four walls and they never will. Yet, the members of this community do have regular meetings. Their meeting place is the columns of this paper.

In the columns of the home paper the country folks meet town folks and exchange intimate bits of gossip and news. Through the home paper people keep up with everything close to their interests—from church doings and school events to crop conditions on route two, or the new daughter their friends had.

When you stop to think it over a bit, it's hard to figure how we could possibly have much of a community life without this regular meeting of our members in the home newspaper. We don't actually meet all our neighbors face to face, but we certainly do figure that we know them rather well. Take away the intimate and gossipy news columns and we'd soon have a heterogenous group of strangers.

Indeed, the home newspaper does more to spin the web of a neighborly community life than all the other agencies combined. It's the accepted community institution of communication. What could possibly replace it? The telephone, the automobile, the mails, or the typewriter, may all help, but none of them can do a fraction of the job performed by the newspaper.

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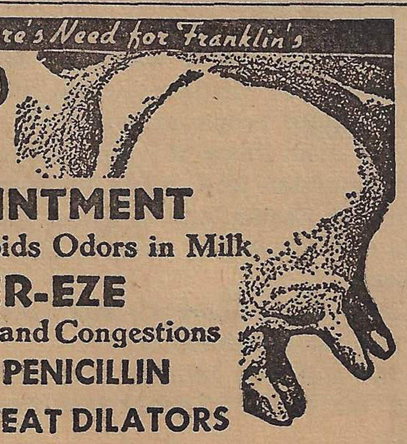
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What a message for today! In this modern age the souls of many are confused, the hearts troubled. They will find the answer to the problems of life in the quiet of the sanctuary of God. "Be still and know," is God's command to His people.

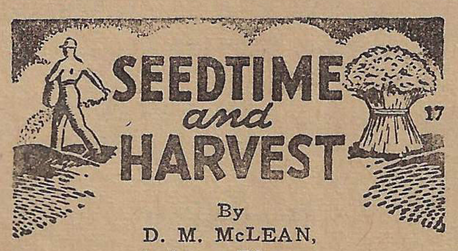
PRAYER

Eternal God, fill us with the spirit of Jesus Christ. Speak to us the words of comfort and assurance. Help us to know the reality of Thy presence and to march forward with courage toward the days ahead. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"In the secret of His presence there is peace."

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By
D. M. McLEAN,
Assistant Director,
Line Elevators Farm Service

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The stress of world food shortages has recently focussed attention on the enormous food losses resulting from preventable waste. Some form of waste, in varying degree, can be found on every farm in Western Canada. A few of the more common forms are mentioned here.

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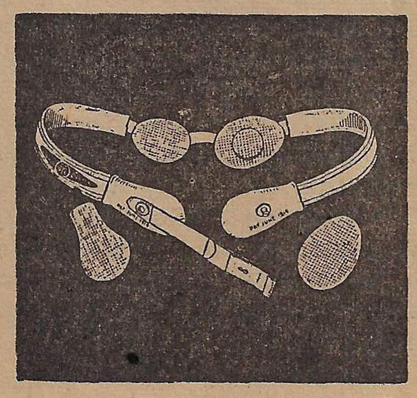
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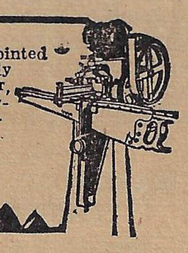
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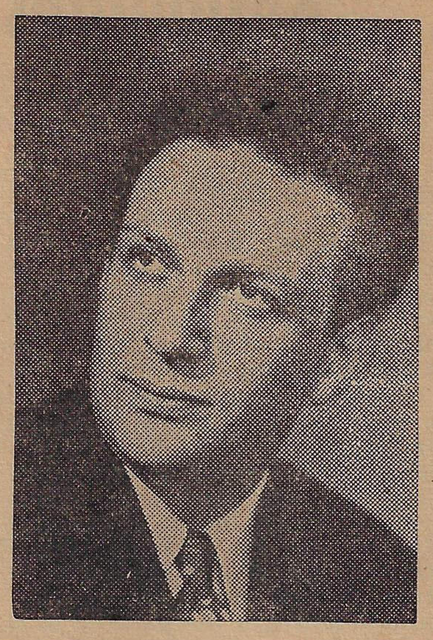


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CONDUCTOR



Paul Scherman has made his mark as violin soloist, concert master and arranger, and was already emerging as a conductor of note when he made his first appearance on the podium with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra two years ago. Mr. Scherman, who has since been appointed assistant TSO conductor, has also directed the orchestra on the Electric Hour from Toronto since the program first went on the air in the fall of 1945. The Electric Hour is heard every Monday.



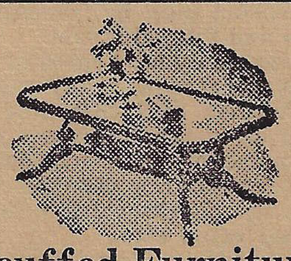
ROBERT MERRILL

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Green or yellow vegetables are especially valuable because of their pro-vitamin A (carotene) content. The greater the intensity of color in green and yellow vegetables the higher the pro-vitamin A value; e.g. outer leaves of cabbage and lettuce.

Large servings of some of the vegetables such as cabbage, cauliflower, potatoes, and turnips, especially when eaten raw may partially replace fruits in the citrus fruit group. This means that in a season when citrus fruits and tomatoes are scarce or expensive, these vegetables, raw or properly cooked, supply enough vitamin C to maintain reasonable health.

The modern canning process retains most of the original food value of garden fresh vegetables, thus providing better nutrition than those which have been in the shop or stored for some time. Canned vegetables can be used to give variety to meals and are often cheaper than fresh vegetables.

Correct storage of fruits and vegetables is important. The lower the temperature the slower the chemical changes. The temperature should be brought down as quickly as possible when the products are placed in storage to reduce aging. It is a good idea to have a thermometer in the storage room. It takes the guess work out of storage. For further information on storing vegetables write to your district Home Economist for the pamphlet in "Household Storage of Fruits and Vegetables."

The losses that occur in cooking fruits and vegetables are of three types:

1. Volatile substances—given off in the steam.
2. Substances dissolved in the water, e.g. minerals, vitamin, protien, fats and carbohydrates.
3. Substances destroyed by heat.

The ideal method of cooking vegetables is baking or steaming if the color or flavor of the vegetables are not altered by this method.

Reduce the preparation loss of vegetables by preparing them immediately before cooking, cook in the minimum of boiling water for as short a period as possible. Serve as soon as they are cooked. Never let the vegetables stand in water after cooking.

Always save the cooking water and liquid from the vegetables and use it in soups, sauces, gravies or beverages.

Britain Joins New International Book Token Scheme

Scholars and scientists in Britain will soon benefit from the new international book tokens which are being sponsored by UNESCO. The scheme is devised to overcome difficulties of foreign exchange which prevent the purchase of books from hard currency countries. These can be made in the national currency by buying a token aga[illegible] which UNESCO will supply [illegible] necessary dollars required to complete the purchase. Eleven countries are to participate in the scheme which will run as an experiment for a year. If it is successful it may be expected to include all those nations which are members states of UNESCO.

New Drug to Open Cattle-Raising Area

Cattle raising in tropical Africa should become a practical possibility with the discovery of a new drug, antrycide, which can be used to immunize cattle from sleeping sickness. Trials in East Africa and the Sudan have proved that a single treatment will cure the two worst forms of the disease borne by the tsetse fly. The administration of the drug is simple, and any African cattle owner will be able to cure his sick animals and safeguard the healthy ones from infection, after instruction by a veterinarian. The drug will eventually open up a cattle-raising area four times the size of Argentina.

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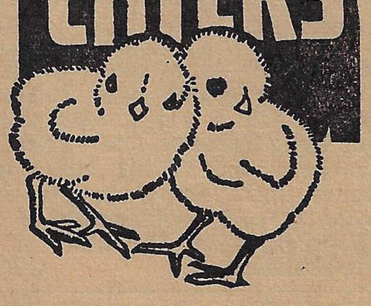
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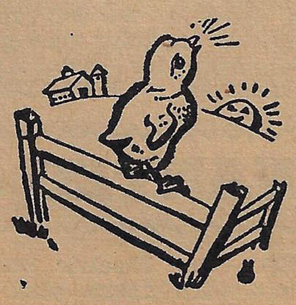
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National Council Physical Fitness Appointments

OTTAWA.—J. H. Ross of Calgary, Ernest Lee of Vancouver and Dr. W. C. Ross of Halifax have been re-appointed members of the National Council on Physical Fitness, the minister of National Health and Welfare, Hon. Paul Martin, announced here.

All three are the directors of physical fitness and recreation in their provinces. The Alberta and Nova Scotia representatives have been members of the national fitness council since its organization early in 1944, and Mr. Lee has represented British Columbia for the past year and a half. The present appointments are for a further term of three years each.

The National Council on Physical Fitness meets twice yearly to advise the federal government on the development of the fitness and recreation plan operated under the National Physical Fitness Act.

Record Number Of Visitors To Britain

Overseas visitors to Britain are estimated to have contributed $160 million in foreign exchange during 1948, according to the chairman of the Travel Association, Lord Hacking. He said that this was $38 million more than Britain gained from tourism during 1947. The number of visitors from abroad last year was a record. It is assessed at half a million.

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Many thousands of Canadians are alive today because when they were young they were immunized against such diseases as smallpox, diphtheria and whooping cough. Immunization is effective in almost 100 per cent of cases. It is free at any health clinic and is practically painless.

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DORCHESTER

Dorchester, capital of Dorsetshire, in southwest England, is linked forever with the writer Thomas Hardy, who described this region and its inhabitants in his famous Wessex novels. Hardy was born in a thatched cottage three miles away, and died at Max Gate in Dorchester in 1928.

The local inhabitants often stand in front of the town's memorial status of Hardy—which shows him sitting with his hat on his knees, lost is thought—and say, "That's just like him." In the Dorchester Museum there is a Hardy Memorial Room with his study reconstructed. This shows the calendar as he left it and the pens he used to write his great works.

The Romans laid out the four main streets of Dorchester in the form of a cross, and today these lovely tree-lined avenues are known as the Walks. Wherever you go in Dorchester you are reminded of the past. When the foundations for new buildings are being dug the sites of Roman ones are discovered. The Romans built great houses in Dorchester as well as an amphitheatre on an old entrenchment they found outside the town which had been erected by the ancient Britons.

ROMAN CHAIR

Dorchester museum is filled with fine Roman relics. Only a few years ago when a new shop in South Street was to be opened, excavators found over 2,000 coins belonging to the first half of the third century. In modern times, too, a fine Roman house was unearthed in Colliton Park complete with tessellated pavements and stones in the wall reddened by the fire which had warmed the house.

In a pit beneath a mosaic pavement, the leg of a Roman chair was also unearthed, richly carved with an animal's head and feet shaped like a lion's claws. The delighted excavators, too, discovered a rare relic indeed in the shape of a Roman window which was still in good condition.

But what brings archaeologists from all over the world to Dorchester is the Maiden Castle, a reminder of pre-Roman days and one of the wonders of ancient Britain. It is the finest prehistoric fort in England and was finished in the first century B.C. The great oval ramparts enclose an area nearly half-a-mile long and half as wide. The steep earth walls are from 60 to 90 feet high and there are five miles of trenches. The outer defences are nearly two miles around and at each end are earthworks guarding the entrances.

Nearby pits have been found which were the dwelling-places of those ancient Britons who lived there, and the remains of domestic animals and millstones for grinding corn prove that they were farmers. After the Roman invasion, Maiden Castle was abandoned for centuries until the Romanized Britons built a temple there in the fourth century.

Dorchester Grammar School, founded in the 16th century by Thomas Hardy, an ancestor of the sailor who fought at the Battle of Trafalgar with Nelson, today has new buildings outside the town, in which have been incorporated some architectural fragments from its old home.

Dorchester also has an unusual almshouse built in 1616; around a little quadrangle is a group of picturesque Jacobean cottages with small windows and high chimneys and room for eight men. The guest chamber is called "Zenodochum", a "place of hospitality".

Housewives' Diet Said Inadequate

Report on the welfare of English housewives, made after a survey conducted by Dr. Stella Instone, assistant physician, New Sussex Hospital, Brighton, has been received at the executive offices in Toronto of the United Emergency Fund for Britain. This independent research, conducted among 61 married women, chiefly with large families, reveals that only 14 enjoy a diet that might be considered adequate in accordance with present British standards and, in no instance, could improper feeding be attributed to lack of money.

"The housewife's family always fared much better than she did," Dr. Instone declares in her report which was printed in "The Lancet", British medical journal. "Very few housewives took a proper breakfast and supper, and in most the day's food consisted of a cooked meal at midday or in the evening when the family was at home and snacks at other times.

"Many women gave up their own rations to the family, but some of those who did not eat properly seemed to lack the inclination for food or the energy to cook for themselves alone. Some women were definitely lazy and only prepared to eat a meal cooked by one of the family at week-ends.

"Throughout the series the consumption of starchy foods was far too high, and most families were disinclined for fish unless it was fried. Very few of the housewives used dried eggs. Mostly their attitude to the panning of meals was one of defeatism and of habit, without the exercise of any imagination. The younger women were more adaptable than the older ones, who had known better days . . .

"Signs of nutritional deficiency, such as angular stomatitis, marginal glossitis, and indentation of the edge of the tongue, were fairly common, but no case of frank deficiency was observed.

"The high incidence of postural defects, foot troubles, varicose veins, and arthritis is not likely to be diminished by standing in queques or by carrying heavy baskets. The question also arises of the possible aetiological importance of continued anxiety in the production of hypertension; it is generally accepted that established hypertension may be increased by fatigue and mental strain.

"Though only nine cases of gross obesity were seen, many more of these women said they had been putting on weight in recent years; since most of them continue to take a high-starch diet this is not surprising. Unduly thin women were not often seen.

"The outstanding impression made by these housewives was their look of fatigue. This was reflected not only in the face and manner, but often also in slow labored movements and lack of muscle tone. In trying to answer questions many women seemed incapable of thinking or speaking clearly, and would make such remarks as: 'I can't seem to remember anything these days . . .' or 'I don't know what is happening to my brain . . .' by way of excuse. Many of them had a look of defeat."

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DOG LOVER

Gail Russell is one of Hollywood's proudest dog owners. She has a two-year-old Cocker named Kelly. The dog is now on location with her while she co-stars with John Payne, Sterling Hayden and George "Gabby" Hayes in Pine-Thomas' "El Paso," Paramount color release.

DELIVER TEAM

After receiving hundreds of letters suggesting that Dorothy Lamour and Dan Duryea be co-starred in a picture, producers William Pine and William Thomas have signed the two stars for Paramount's "The Man Who Stole A Dream" Picture starts in November

MEXICAN STAR

Eduardo Noriega, one of Mexico's leading screen favorites, has arrived in Hollywood and will be featured with John Payne, Gail Russell, Sterling Hayden and George "Gabby" Hayes in Pine-Thomas' "El Paso," Paramount color film.

EASTERN COWBOY

Although Robert Preston was born in Massachusetts, he has given some of his top performances as a two-gun man of the Old West. His latest is in Paramount's "Whispering Smith."

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VENICE NEWS

VENICE. — Mrs. Romelda Gingras attended the funeral of her brother, Mr. Aime Fortier of Vimy. Mr. Wm. Lefehore a nephew of the deceased, went also

There must be some attraction in lumber camps as Arthur Biollo, David Biollo, Alpha Gingras, Ernest Gingras, Quinto Bonifacio, Angelo Giacobbo, Danillo Fornari and Nick Torresan left recently for Mile 190—Joe Michetti's camp. Best of luck, boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldin Schryver of Abee stopped at Venice on their way back from Lac la Biche.

Mr. Tony Zevola is the proud owner of a 1946 Ford V-8 car purchased from Dr. Cadzow of Lac la Biche.

FRAINS NOTES

FRAINS.—Mr. Pisyk's truck of Boyle was in an accident on the Frains road.

Mr. Hartt of Edmonton was visiting Mr. Tony Sawchuk.

Mrs. Soliski has returned from Edmonton hospital.

Mr. Bill Chernewchan is digging wells at Caslan.

Mr. Ustina purchased a Massey-Harris tractor a couple of weeks ago.

There will be a dance at Frains school on February 11. Good music. Everybody welcome.

Visitors from Newbrook were guests of Mrs. Kmech and family.

Mr. Borise Shushmaruk, Mr. Borise Hussyne, Mr. Nick Kuchmak and Mr. D. Nahrabinchyk are busy hauling fence posts.

NORMANDEAU NEWS

NORMANDEAU.—Mr. John Lachowich and Roland Vincent have left Normandeau to take work at the Hayward Lumber Co. at Lac la Biche until spring.

The Ste Cecile school is at last opened. Mr. Charles Vincent is supervisor. This school has been closed for four years.

Miss Rolande Vincent has returned home. She has been staying with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Marcel Vincent of Egg Lake for a month.

Some boys are courageous. There came from Yellowknife the two Cinnaman brothers, Stewart and Roy, with dog sleds. They left Resolution to travel to Elk Point, 800 miles, where they will meet their two sisters and brother. They said the journey was wonderful, but the trouble was that they some times ran short of provisions for their dogs.

SPRUCE VALLEY NEWS

SPRUCE VALLEY. — A farewell party was held for Mr. and Mrs. George Kudsymetski of Spruce Valley on January 29. This couple is going to make their new home at Boyle, Alta. We all wish them happiness.

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CLUB HOME FOR LONELY OLD PEOPLE

St. Pancras, London, has thought up a novel scheme to help lonely old people in their neighborhood. In November, 14 old men and women moved into self-contained apartments when the St. Pancras Old People's Committee opened its first residential club.

Each apartment has a bed-sitting-room and bathroom and contains an electric radiator or coal fire and an electric cooker. The old folk can entertain their friends and each other in a large comfortably furnished lounge. A resident caretaker and his wife help with the shopping and are trained to do some nursing if residents fall sick.

"We choose people who have no one belonging to them," said Councillor Mrs. Winifred Paul, chairman of the Old People's Committee. "And we also have a visitors group of volunteeers who pay a weekly visit to the old folk. Loneliness is the greatest bugbear of old age."

FLYING SQUAD FOR BABIES

London babies have a flying squad of their own now. The Hospital for Sick Children in Great Ormond Street has a team of specially trained nurses and a doctor, to go to places where there are epidemics of gastro-enteritis.

Although deaths are rarer than they were, epidemics still break out. By arrangement with the Medical Research Council a bacteriologist and a secondary specialist used the Great Ormond Street Hospital to study outbreaks of gastro-enteritis. This small team, which went out to nurseries and small hospitals, arranged when possible for the children to be transferred to the hospital and became worried because less well equipped centres found it hard to deal with the sick babies.

And so the flying squad was born. The new team carries apparatus to try and trace the germ causing the epidemic and also gives expert treatment—often they have to carry out a delicate operation to introduce special fluids into the baby's veins.

When they are not on duty the squad members work in the special gastro-enteritis unit at the hospital.

WORLD'S LARGEST EYE INSTITUTE OPENS IN BRITAIN

The largest institute in the world specializing in optical diseases has just been opened in London. This new centre for the study of eye troubles has been formed by the amalgamation of the medical schools of three hospitals.

Qualified students will come to the centre from all over the world for training in ophthalmic medicine and surgery, for the new Institute of Ophthalmology offers wider scope for teaching research than has been possible before.

Eminent specialists representing many countries were present at the opening ceremony on Nov. 5

Opticians in Britain are busier than ever. Patients are now coming to them under the National Health Service, which provides medical, dental and optical treatment free of charge for everyone in Britain.

The present rush for spectacles has been caused by those who could not afford consultation fes and the cost of new glasses and who are now rushing to get them free. Opticians estimate that when the first demand is satisfied patients will average between 6,000,000 and 7,000,000 a year.

It is estimated that before the Health Service came in about 14,000,000 Britons wore glasses. Another 6,000,000 needed them, but could not afford them. Today everyone in Britain who needs spectacles can have the best attention free as well as glasses—all they need do is visit their family doctor, who certifies that there is an optical defect.

FREEDOM FOOTNOTES

FREEDOM.—The annual meeting of the Community Club was held at Oskar's store on January 15. Election of officers was as follows: President, Donald Donnelly; vice-president, Hubert Anderson; secretary-treasurer, Alvin Lehman; directors: Aino Carlson, Fred Krysa, Hans Pruess and Clarence Anderson.

Friday evening saw a busy scene at the hall as members of the community gathered to make benches and tables. Lunch was served by Oskar, Hazel, Lena, Laurel and Vera.

The meeting of the Girls Club, The Willing Workers, will be held at the home of Laurel and Lilly Bruns on February 3.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. M. Wauch and family in their bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Dance are in the Barrhead hospital. We wish you both a speedy recovery.

Jewel Meyers, who has been helping her mother cook in a lumber camp at Holmes Crossing, was seen visiting the Donnelly family.

Alva Donnelly was in the best of spirits this week-end. Could it have been because Joe was home from the bush?

A social evening was held in the Freedom hall last week. Despite the cold weather a fair crowd attended. Whist and bingo was played. Prizes in whist went to: ladies, first, Mrs. Clare Anderson, consolation, Mrs. A. Carlson; men, first, Hans Pruess, consolation, Don Donnelly.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Enders spent a few days visiting relatives in Stony Plain.

Donald Donnelly and Clifford Holms, two of our local boys, sang over the Search for Talent show which was held in Barrhead on January 22. Where were all the rest of our good sports?

Mr. Hans Pruess and Adolphe Littke were in Calgary last week attending the farmers' convention.

WE SAW:

Mr. Dick Meyers trying to start his truck, which was very stubborn.

A truckload of coal in the ditch near Freedom store.

Donald trying to be a quiz master.

We also want to wish Isidore Duperron of Amesbury a very happy birthday from friends at Freedom.

KIKINO NEWS

KIKINO.—On January 19,1949, Baby Ronald Raice Thompson, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Thompson of Kikino, passed away in the St. Catherine's hospital at the age of four months and three weeks. He is survived by his loving parents and two sisters, grandparents, aunts and uncles and a dear great-grandmother to mourn his loss. Interment took place in the Kikino cemetery.

Mr. T. M. Johnston, the supervisor, made a business trip to Vilna on Saturday.

Mr. Leo Thompson expects to be hauling lumber to the Hayward Lumber Co. in Lac la Biche as soon as the weather gets a little warmer. He will be using the new tractor.

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I feel it is my duty to give to the ratepayers of the Municipal District a brief summary of the duties of the Council as carried out by them during the year 1948. With this report you will have a copy of the 1948 Auditor's Financial Statement. It shows the financial standing of the Municipality as at the 31st day of December, 1948.

SNOW PLOWING OPERATIONS

The machinery hours for snow plowing during 1948 were 731 hours with the crawler tractors and 1,247 hours with the motor graders. The cost of operation was in the sum of $6,228.74. These figures do not take into consideration the depreciation on the equipment but are the actual cost of operation only.

PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM

During the year 1948, there were 47½ miles of road gravelled and 2 miles were re-gravelled. There is now in the Municipality 103 miles of gravelled roads. There were 32½ miles of roads that were highgraded and 14 miles that were re-graded to a 20 foot standard or better. This large program of Public Works that was entered into by the Council was due to the fact that the ratepayers paid to the Council by way of private grants the sum of $7,469.91. There also was received, as earned, the sum of $30,550.00 from the Government both in Capital and Special grants. In order to match these grants as received you will note that some of the Councillors have some quite large over expenditures. These over expenditures are not all due to this fact alone, as you will recall that the spring of 1948 with all its floods and washouts was very costly. There was spent by the Municipality the sum of $21,722.56 on culverts and material during 1948. This was caused by the excessive demand for culvert replacement but this was not only due to the flood conditions that prevailed but was due largely to the percentage of old wood culverts going down due to the fact that heavier loads are being hauled and the old culverts are unable to stand up to the heavier traffic. However, those that have been replaced are all being replaced with steel culverts as much as possible. There also had to made many expensive repairs to bridges where they were in very bad condition and we could not get replacements. Several of these bridges are condemned and the situation is becoming alarming as the district did not receive any replacements at all during the year 1948.

MACHINERY PURCHASED

During the year 1948 the Council were able to take delivery of the following equipment which had been long awaited:

One Caterpillar No. 12 motor grader with snow plow and wing which arrived during March. The cost of this machine was $16,430.00

One 99H Austin Western Motor Grader with snow plow less wing. The wing, on order, has not yet arrived. The cost was $16,282.00.

There was spent on the Brush Cutter and the Brush Piler which the later was made out of an old snow plow the sum of $659.02.

A grinding Unit was also purchased at a cost of $246.75.

It is quite evident if the cost of new machinery and repairs are to continue their upward trend, as at the present along with the high cost of fuel and oils, and the operative cost at their present rate, it will be necessary to either reduce our Public Works program or increase our Municipal Levy.

SCHOOL TAXES LIKELY INCREASE

The school tax levy we are forced to make to meet the demands of the various school boards for educational purposes but we consider these dangerously high and the indications are that they will still increase. We know that teachers' salaries hace advanced very considerably which is as it should be in keeping with other occupations and other costs having increased corresponding with everything else. We feel, however, that there should be a larger share of this burden borne by the Senior Government by the way of increased grants.

NEW OFFICE UNDER CONSTRUCTION

We have now under construction a new Municipal Office here in Morinville, and this should be completed very soon. The cost of building materials are very high and this building, no doubt, will exceed the estimated cost, I am sure. However, it was imperative that this construction be undertaken in order to safeguard the records of the District and to conduct its affairs. I may state here that the property on which this office is being erected was donated to the Municipality by the business men of Morinville at a cost to them of $700.00. I wish to take this opportunity to publicly thank them on behalf of the District.

SOCIAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

We have at this time about 77 Old Age and Blind Pensioners which cost us for the year 1948 $1,955.02 and 14 on Mothers Allowance which cost us $1,720.00. These amounts together with the indigent relief and hospitalization you will note by your statement, cost the district $11,939.73 or approximately 2 mills of the Municipal Levy for the year. This is expenditures over which we, as a Council, have no control.

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

Our Service Board has had a very busy year and I am sure that the ratepayers will appreciate reading their report. We would urge the ratepayers to attend the meetings which are sponsored by the Board during the winter months. These meetings are held throughout the Municipality at central points and we are sure that they are of value to the ratepayers. While our weed problem is still with us, we feel that considerable progress is being made under the program of our "Agricultural Service Board."

EDMONTON RURAL HEALTH UNIT

We are advised that Dr. H. Siemens, Medical Officer of Health is, at present, taking a post-graduate course in Public Health at an American University. The unit is carrying on, at the present time, without a doctor, but all other services of the health unit are being continued as usual. The vitamin capsules have been distributed by the Health Unit, the cost of these for 1948 was in the sum of $1,370.10. This includes the cost of the liquid vitamins for children of zero to three years of age. The cost of the services of Mental Hygiene was in the sum of $682.22, our share of the costs of the Health Unit itself was in the sum of $3,218.80; or making a total cost of $5,271.12 for all these services, being less than 1 mill of the levy for Municipal purposes.

ANNUAL MEETINGS ARE IMPORTANT

In meeting different residents of our Municipal District from time to time throughout the year I find that many have suggestions to make. Many of them are good and constructive and seemed to be in the best interest of our district. There are many things of importance that should be discussed at the annual meeting. I would call the attention of all ratepayers the importance of attending the Annual Meeting which is definitely a ratepayers meeting.

In conclusion I wish to express my appreciation of the fine co-operation from Councillors, Secretary-Treasurer, and his staff throughout the year.

J. G. DUSSEAULT,
Reeve.

Congratulations!

MILLET — Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kroening have made a home for a lovely month-old baby girl whom they brought home on Friday, Jan. 28. The baby has been named Charlene Elaine.

MORINVILLE NEWS

MORINVILLE. — Messages of sympathy were extended to Rev. Mother Zenaide Marie when she received word that her father, Mr. A. Fortier had passed away. The grade 2 class, which Mother Zenaide teaches, was closed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Mr. G. Montpellier and Mr. Joe Lafond of Dawson Creek, returned from a trip to Montreal.

Miss Jake Robert has returned to work after a three-week holiday, most of which was spent in Vancouver.

In hospital are Mr. Albert St. Laurent and Mr. Ernest Perras of R.R. 2 Morinville. It has been reported that Mr. Perras is suffering from typhoid fever.

The C.Y.O. of Morinville wishes to announce a series of communion breakfasts will be held in the annex of the dance hall, beginning Sunday, Feb. 6. There will be mass and communion at the church, and then all the young people of the parish are cordially invited to attend these breakfasts. A small fee will be charged to meet expenses, so how about seeing you all the first Sunday of every month.

Plans are being made for a social evening as soon as possible, but since the Retreat is taking place, it will be a little later than originally planned.

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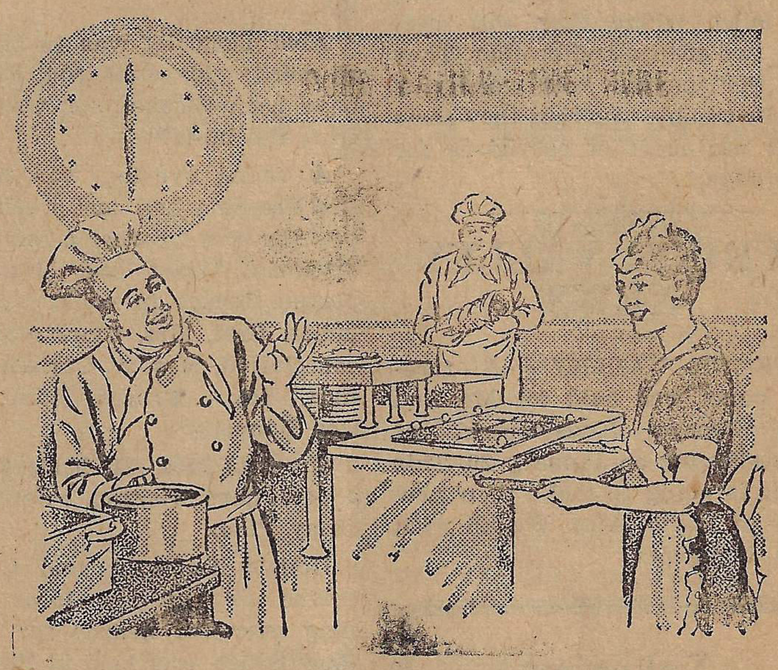
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BLUE JAY NEWS

BLUE JAY.—Mr. Mike Lopachug had a tooth broken and his chin cut when he ran into an oncoming car at Grassland. The driver of the car was Mr. Keith Fisher. The road was so slippery that Mike couldn't stop or get off the road and Mr. Fisher couldn't stop the car, although he was going very slowly. The incident took place on the night of January 28 and the Girl Guides were sponsoring a dance at Grassland.

Mrs. Frank Ilnicki is in the hospital at Lac la Biche.

Mrs. Doris Karpetz was in Edmonton on business.

Mr. John Klimuik has left for Edmonton from where he will proceed to Hay River to commence work.

Miss Lena Koistuik returning from Edmonton, stayed overnight with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Llnicki. On Sunday Mr. Mike Ilnicki, his wife, Mr. Mike Klimuik, Miss Lena Koistuik and Miss Pricinia Klimuik went to Wandering River.

Mrs. Yakimuk has returned from the hospital at Lac la Biche.

Hay Lakes School News

HAY LAKES — Two hockey games were played last week. On Wednesday New Sarepta boys were the visitors and the score was 4-3 for Hay Lakes. Friday at New Sarepta 8-7 was the score for Hay Lakes.

Otto Lachman was absent from school Friday as he had a date with the dentist.

The Juniors had pictures taken on Friday so that another portfolio can be completed to send to the Hawaiian Islands.

PAROCHIAL PICTURES

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THE NATION'S BUSINESS

by ottawa observer

In a few days, Ottawa will be the scene of the opening of the fourth session of Canada's 20th parliament. This parliament, elected in June 1945, may well extend into 1950 and another session. However, most observers appear to agree that the present session will be its last and that a general election will be called within the next 12 months. All parties are already showing signs of pre-electoral activity.

Byelections since 1945 have not altered in any way the strength of the Liberal government in the present House of Commons and it is still probably strong enough to withstand any storm and relatively free to set its own date for a call to the polls. The course of this fourth session, however, may be a determining factor in the selection of such a date.

Both the government and the opposition will be operating under new leaders. For the first time, the Right Hon. Louis St. Laurent will appear in the House of Commons as prime minister of Canada, while the new leader of the opposition, George Drew, will be making his first appearance, both as a member of parliament and as leader of the opposition.

Many important issues will be presented to parliament in the next few months. Defence plans and external affairs are due for their share of headlines while this year's budget will assuredly be followed more closely and by more citizens than ever before in the history of Canada.

THE TENTH PROVINCE

Priority is to be given at this session, it has been announced, to all questions relating to the entry of Newfoundland in the Confederation for, in 1949, Canada's 10th province is to become a fact.

It is interesting to note that this latest addition to Confederation participated in the earliest talks on the union of the British Colonies in North America. At the Quebec Conference of 1864, when the original resolutions leading to Confederation were adopted, both Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, colonies in their own right, were represented, along with Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, the four provinces which were to go ahead and accept Confederation three years later.

Manitoba was carved out of what was called Rupert's Land and Northwest Territories and erected as a Canadian province in May, 1870 and this fifth province became a reality in June of the same year when Her Majesty's government sanctioned the admission of Rupert's Land and the Northwest Territories in Canada. British Columbia, a colony in its own right, became a Canadian province in 1871 and Prince Edward Island rejoined Confederation in 1873.

Thirty-three years later, Alberta and Saskatchewan were erected into provinces of Confederation and thus Confederation remained since 1905. After forty-four years, all of British North America is about to become united under one government. The plans laid out in 1864 have all been realized.

INDUSTRIALIZATION OF CANADA

An article by the Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, minister of trade and Commerce in a recent special issue of "Public Affairs" brings to everyone's attention the tremendous rate at which our Canada has become a highly industrialized nation in recent years. While in the past we always considered ourselves to be an agricultural country, and indeed it was so in even the early twenties, the exigencies of the First World War and given the necessary impetus to our industrial expansion, and the demands of World War II achieved a complete reversal of the picture.

In 1945, manufacturing accounted for 52 per cent of the total net value of commodity production in Canada while agriculture, in spite of very substantial production made up only 21 per cent of the net output.

WANDERING RIVER NEWS

WANDERING RIVER. — Mr. Johnny Postolak overturned his truck and a load of lumber at Breynat hill while trying to make the grade. Mr. Postolak's breaks were not able to hold the big load of lumber, so the truck backed into a big ravine and turned over. Mr. Postolak was not hurt.

Mr. Mickey Shopka was a busy man this last week. He made two trips to Edmonton with both trucks.

The bridge gang has moved from Mt. River bridge to Breynat bridge and is continuing good work.

Mr. Simon Duperron and his son Edmund are both working for Mr. Eli Rosychuk in a logging camp. Mr. Rosychuk has already cut a lot of lumber and trucks are busy hauling it to Lac la Biche.

Mr. Metro Watamanuik and Mr. George Shopka also hauled a lot of their lumber out. A good amount of their lumber was used on most of Wandering River bridges.

Mr. S. W. Franchuk made a return trip to Edmonton this week on business.

A bridge over Lac la Biche river on Wandering River highway, has a 3-ton limit sign on, and a new steel bridge is to be constructed next spring to replace this old bridge.

Amesbury school district were very lucky at last to get a teacher for their school.

Oil men are testing for oil from Wandering River north. Two bulldozers are busy making roads.

Wandering River will have all new bridges by the time winter is over, thanks to the S.C. Government and its supporters. The people are enjoying the good weather and roads which are in very good shape.

The school inspector, Mr. Hall, was a visitor in the Wandering River area. He visited all the five schools including Amesbury.

Mr. Guy Smith has gone up to Crames camp along the Athabasca River to work in a logging camp. And Everritte Smith is up and around, his foot having pretty well healed.

David McIvore has also gone up north to work in a logging camp.

St. Jeans boys got a brand new tractor a few days ago and have taken it to the bush to manufacture lumber at Blackie Creek.

Alan Ladd is one of Hollywood's hardest-working stars. In the six years since he soared to overnight fame in "This Gun for Hire," he has appeared in 20 pictures, his most recent being Paramount's "Whispering Smith."

Capacity Crowd Witness Boxing

MORINVILLE. — Getting the evening of boxing off to a good start, 75 pound Maurice Chevalier and 76 pound Armand Robert fought to a stalemate, with the same decision given after Paul Sylvester 81, and Ronald Patrie, 80, boxed their way through the second three round preliminary. Rousseau and Chevalier were the finalists of the "blind bout" in which four young boxers were blind-folded and left to battle it out.

Then came the "major event of the evening." There in one corner was none other than Frank Morris, and in the other, believe it or not, Toughie (Scotty) Green! The crowd held its breath as the two came forward to settle a personal feud of long standing. The bout ended in a draw, with the two famous fighters shaking hands and neither declared the better man.

The main event went to Morinville's Charlie Schaeffers, who won a close decision from Billy Smith of Edmonton. Although Charlie tried hard for his intended KO, the best he could manage was a count of three for Smith in round one and nine in the fourth Nonetheless, he won and that's what matters.

A unanimous decision went to Johnny Kas, of Calgary, over Joe Peppin of St. Albert, and Louis Demers of Legal won over Bill Bennet of Morinville by a knockout in round five.

In all, boxing fans witnessed an evening of good, clean boxing and promoter George Bougie is only too sorry that so many had to be turned away. Some 700 people were crowded into the hall with roughly 500 turned away. Professional boxing has returned to Morinville and judging by the large number of enthusiastic fans, it's to stay, for a while at least.

Planning 1949's Great Parliament of Science

The British Association for the Advancement of Science will hold its next annual meeting from August 31 to September 7 at Newcastle-on-Tyne in the northeast of England. More than 200 local volunteers are already making preparations in that city, for the assembly is expected to be one of the largest in the history of the Association, which was founded in 1831.

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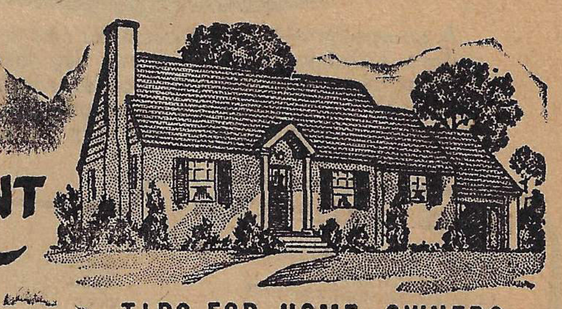
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McRAE DISTRICT NEWS

McRAE. — Fred Yamaniuk of Glendon, formerly of McRae district with Andrew and John, the two boys are visitors at McRae this week. They have their land at McRae rented to Lewis Kugma.

Jack Powers has sold his half section to B. Karpalhian and plans on retiring from active farm work.

We are informed that black eyes cost $25 and $15 respectively as a result of a fracas that ended in police court last Friday. A good optometrist will furnish good glasses for that much and these can be changed for a slight additional cost.

Helen Keigma is reported to be greatly improved since her operation last week.

Bill Cidor is home after an absence of two years, plans on staying for the winter.

The annual school meeting was called for February 4 and a large attendance expected.

McCrae Hockey News

McRAE.—A hockey game on McRae ice Sunday, Jan. 30, with Bruceville Hot Shots, smothered our boys by sheer weight of numbers, was no push over for the visitors.

What our chaps lack in numbers, they make up in team work, sheer determination and pluck. One forward line, carried the whole 80 minutes of play. Only our defence had changes of players. Out classed 2 to 1 in players, they fought 2 periods to a 5-5 draw. The last two, 20 minute periods of swift play and rapid complete changes by their opponents left them on the short end of a 7-5 score.

Peter Erasmas on forward line for McRae the outstanding player of both teams. Paul Kuzma, the toughest nut Bruceville had to crack on our defence. Eddy Whelen our most dangerous opponent.

Shots on goal: McRae 27, Bruce ville23.

LAC LA BICHE LOCAL NEWS

Hawirko Bros. and Michael Steffin are busy cutting and hauling ice with two jeeps.

St. John's Anglican Guild Holds Annual Meeting

MILLET — The St. John's Anglican Guild held the annual meeting at the home of Mrs. J. M. Clarke on Thursday, Jan. 27 with 10 members present. Reports and business of the past year were read and completed. Two parcels of food were packed to be sent to England, one for an aged person and one for an invalid.

Officers for the coming year were elected: president, Mrs. W. Ross; vice-president, Mrs. E. R. Hoskins; treasurer, Mrs. P. Griffiths; secretary, Mrs. V. Gardiner; needlework convener, Mrs. E. Moore.

The hostess served a delicious afternoon tea which was much enjoyed .

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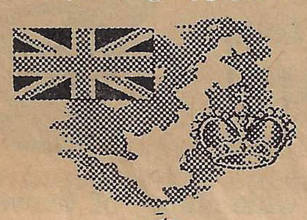
MORINVILLE. — Morinville's new doctor is Dr. Peter Schmidt, B.A., B.M., B.Ch. (Oxford), F.R.G.S. (Edinburgh), formerly of England. He was born in Czechoslovakia, but went to England in 1939 where he carried on his practice until coming to Canada one month ago.

Edmonton was the doctor's first stop and after looking around for several weeks, he decided to come to Morinville. Although his home and temporary office are one of the Alberta Hotel cabins, Dr. Schmidt and his family plan to move into the house formerly occupied by Dr. Hardy. As yet no place has been found for the doctor to set up a permanent office.

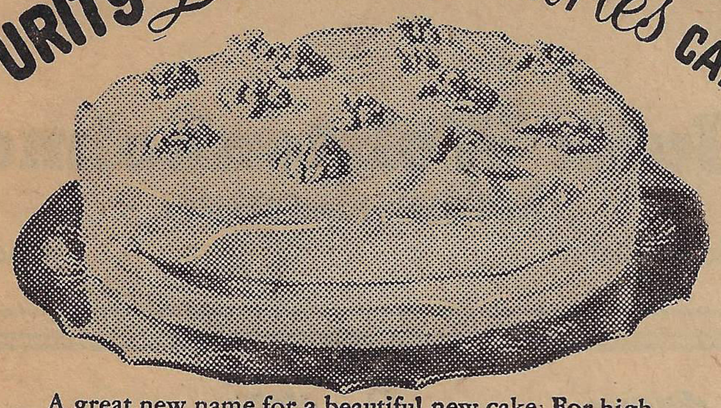
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⅔ cup sweet milk
½ cup chopped walnut meats
A few half-walnut meats to decorate.

Cream butter or shortening and add vanilla. Blend well. Gradually add sugar. Beat until mixture light and fluffy. Beat eggs with rotary beater until foamy, add gradually to fat, sugar mixture. Beat thoroughly. Sift together PURITY FLOUR, salt and baking powder. Add dry ingredients alternately with milk, making 3 or 4 additions. Add walnut meats. Stir gently and quickly until batter blended. Do not overmix. Spread into two 8" layer cake pans, well greased. Bake in moderate oven (350°-375°F) 20-30 minutes. Let cake "set" 5-10 minutes before removing from pans.

Maple Icing . . . Boil ½ cup Maple Syrup to soft ball in cold water stage. Beat white of one egg until stiff and add hot syrup slowly, beating continously with rotary beater. Add salt and continue beating until icing is thick enough to hold shape then spread on cold cake. Decorate.

Cream Filling . . . Melt 2 tbs. butter over direct heat, add flour. Stir until frothy. Remove from heat. Add ⅛ cup sugar, ⅛ tsp. salt, then 1 cup of milk, a little at a time. Blend thoroughly. Cook over boiling water until thick. Beat one egg until foamy. Pour hot mixture slowly over egg, stirring continuously. Cook 3 or 4 minutes more, stirring constantly. Cover, when cool add vanilla.

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RCAF Band To Appear Here

MORINVILLE. — On Tuesday, Feb. 15, Morinville and district residents will have the opportunity of seeing and hearing the famous RCAF band from Edmonton, with the kind permission of Air Vice-Marshall K. M. Guthrie, C.B., C.B.E., Air Officer Commanding, Northwest Air Command. Sponsored by Les Hirondelles Club, the band-concert will be held in the parish hall.

The band, 30 strong, is under the baton of Warrant Officer Carl Friberg, and features a number of musicians well known in western Canadian musical circles.

An outstanding feature on the band's tour is their famous bass drum, which bears the signatures of many famous persons, most of whom have conducted the band. Some of the better known names are Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, Shirley Temple, Mrs. Roosevelt, Alan Young, Jack Benny Lauritz Melchior, Rose Bampton, Marjorie Lawrence of the "Met." Sigmund Romberg, Igor Stavinsky, and the ex-mayor of New Rork City, Fiorella La Guardia, who conducted the band on his visit to the west, just before he passed away. This bass drum has travelled all over the North American continent with Warrant Officer Friberg, and is internationally known.

Included in the band's repertoire are many novel as well as classical arrangements which the band plays both on the air and on the concert stage for the enjoyment of music lovers of all ages.

Make plans now to attend the RCAF band concert to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 15, in the parish hall.

VILLENEUVE NEWS

VILLENEUVE — The skating season is well under way judging from the assistance at the party last Thursday at the Ray rink. Since the wind was so fierce everyone was glad to go to the school and dance after a few unsuccessful tries at skating. Everyone had an enjoyable evening.

On Sunday, Jan. 30, the annual elections of the C.Y.O. were held at Father Carter's residence. The newly-elected officers are Miss Marie Claire Hebert as president, Miss Sylvianne Hebert as vice-president and Miss Melba Borle as secretary. Congratulations and good luck to the all-girl executive.

The members are happy to welcome three new members in their organization. These are Misses Margaret and Florence and Mr. Albert Verstraete.

After the business meeting Miss Byron served a delicious collation to everyone. The next reunion is set for Feb. 27.

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HYLO HIGHLIGHTS

HYLO.—On January 28 the Hylo local of the new born F.U.A. held a meeting at which elected delegates who attended the convention of January 11 to 14 inclusive at Calgary, gave an enlightening account of the accomplishments of that great event.

We especially wish to express thanks to Mr. Pasquale Manca and Mr. Bill Rosychuk for the literature and statistics which they brought home and distributed amongst us.

We are extremely proud of Miss Margaret Tichoniuk who attained second prize at an Amateur Hour which was held at Lac la Biche on January 28. Having heard Miss Tichoniuk perform previously we know that she well earned her prize by her impersonation of an English newcomer to Canada. Regards to you, Margaret, you have excellent vocal and speech talents.

Mr. Fred Michetti returned on January 30 with his car from Edmonton. He remarked about the difficult trip he had through the drifts on the highway between Colinton and Boyle.

Mr. Alex Moshiuk returned from a business trip to Edmonton where he also made a brief visit with his brother, Mr. John Moshiuk.

January 30 the Hylo Ladies' Society elected officials for the 1949 season with Mrs. Mary Kucille, honored president Mrs. Sylvia Lozinski, vice-president; Mrs. Lena Marchesi, secreary; and Mrs. Mary Coli Jr., treasurer. Every power to you, ladies, for your services in the offices you will hold.

Several cases of measles have been reported. Little Bill Nahyrny is back at school after his share of them, while Myrna Rosychuk is still in bed. Wee Hazel Bjorgan at Hank's Coffee Shop has just broken out on Saturday with them and all her little friends wish her extra speedy recovery.

Rumors have been brought us that the oil drillers expect to drill a well, right here in Hylo.

Rumors also have been brought that a petition has been drawn up to build a two-room school in one of Hylo's neighboring districts.

What do we say ratepayers? Our school isn't completed. There is shortage of teachers, folks, and will be for a year or two. The progressive areas are centralizing schools where vans are operated at a much cheaper rate than the cost of building a school or paying several teachers, who are not to be had.

Take this as food for thought, from a well thinker.

TEEN-TIME COLUMN

GIRLS' VIEWS OF DATES

Sure boys we like dates but honestly sometimes you joes just don't realize how far a date goes. Just 'cause a date has been made for the show or dance or whatever doesn't mean that you're going steady with a girl. And for Pete's sake we sure hate to see a guy show off!

If we thought enough of you to accept your date, we don't need you to show off how smart you are. Let us find out for ourselves. We don't like being made fools of in public so at least try to be gentlemen. After all even though we are modern doesn't mean we're so modern we don't like gentlemen.

A girl notices such things as a boy helping you with your coat, holding your chair and soforth. And let us gals tell you that we certainly don't like being mushed up in public or being referred to as "Toots," "My Little Lady" or something to the effect of "Meet my mouse Sal," when being introduced. So think these things over you modern he-men when you ask a girl for a date!

1. Do you know her well enough?
2. Is she the kind of girl you'd like to go out with and vice-versa?
3. Do mind your manners!
4. Are you going to give her a good time?

Bye for now,
TEEN-TIMERS.

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LEGAL NEWS

LEGAL. — Leon St. Martin, Henry Caouette and Allan Keane have recently returned from Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Prefontaine's one year old baby died last week. The burial was held Saturday afternoon.

Jacques Vougeois had an operation last Tuesday. He is coming along quite well now.

A birthday party for Mrs. Nap. Belley was held on Sunday. A number of couples gathered to cele brate.

Miss Fleurette Lorieau has left the bank to enter the noviciate of the Sisters of the Assumption at St. Paul.

Mrs. Venne is back from the hospital.

Mr. Wilfrid Barry's brother died in Edmonton recently.

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Election Officers Held Recently

MORINVILLE. — The annual meeting of the Morinville Savings and Credit Union was held January 20. Officers elected for the coming year are: Andre Saborin, re-elected as president; Mrs. V. Ethier, vice-president; Mrs. E. Chevalier, secretary-treasurer; and directors: Mac L'hirondelle, Willian Brenneis, Laurence Leduc, Armand Turgeon and Ephrim Rousseau.

Novelty Valentine Dance

ST. ALBERT — A novelty Valentine dance sponsored by the St. Albert Women's Institute will be held in the community hall Monday, February 14. Admission 50c. Everybody welcome.

A door prize will be given and home-made refreshments will be served.

Come and enjoy a happy evening of pleasure and fun.

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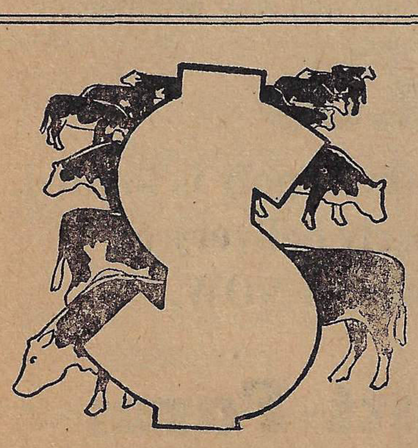
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NEW SAREPTA NEWS

NEW SAREPTA—Mrs. R. Miko has returned from an Edmonton hospital.

In two closely-contested games between Hay Lakes and New Sarepta high schools, Hay Lakes emerged the winner. The first game on Hay Lakes ice resulted in a 4-3 score. The second game at New Sarepta was a tie until the last two minutes of play when Rodney Roth banged in the winning goal.

The wiring is being completed at the village school.

Miss Anne Bednar and Miss Lydia Kapchinsky were week-end visitors at their homes.

Miss Carol Musialek was a week-end visitor in Camrose.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Newman are home from a visit to the United States.

Mr. Gerhard Kadatz has gone to British Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Stroh and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolfe, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Wedman and family attended the ice carnival in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Harke and Mr. and Mrs. H. Wolfe visited at Westlock Sunday.

Mrs. B. Elgert is visiting relatives in the Westlock district.

Among guests at Mr. and Mrs. Dan Henschel Friday were Mr. and Mrs. B. Elgert, Darwin and Lewon Elgert, Eddie, Alfred, Melvin and Laurence Kublik.

Harold Rowbottom is home from working at the oil fields.

The bridge club met at the home of Mrs. A. Janke. Mrs. H. Wegner won first prize, Mrs. L. Trempner the consolation prizes. Those present were Mrs. A. Johnson, Mrs. L. Trempner, Mrs. A. Schlender, Mrs. F. Schlender, Mrs. H. Wegner and Mrs. A. Wagner.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Trempner, Mr. Albert Kallas, Mr. Ted Lidtke, Marvin, Everett and Jerold Trempner motored to Edmonton to a show recently.

Mr. Ewald Gahr had an accident when he cut one finger and broke another. After treatment in Edmonton Mr. Gahr returned home.

Miss Ruth Schmidt is supervising South Busenuis school.

Billy and Oliver Knopp played with the Hay Lakes team recently against Camrose Juniors.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Newman, Mr. Arthur Klingspoon and Mr. Reuben Newman were visitors in Edmonton.

HAY LAKES NEWS

HAY LAKES — Joanne Lofgren travelled by train to Edmonton, Friday, Jan. 28, to visit with her aunt, Gladys Schlender.

An exciting hockey game was played here Friday, Jan. 28, when the Camrose Commercials were the visiting team. The final score was 6-1 for Hay Lakes.

Roy Labonte who has been working on the section here, has been transferred to New Sarepta.

The local people were interested in hearing R. Mittelstadt's name mentioned on "Rockoil Jamboree."

Final wiring of houses in the village is being done with electricians busy at P. Schweitzers.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Nordin and Mrs. Kiel had as dinner guests on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Ogilvie and Mr. and Mrs. T. Sutherland.

Mrs. A. Rost, Donald and Ruby left for the coast last week. Mrs. Rost and Donald intend to return in spring while Ruby figures on staying on there to work.

Mrs. Radowetz is in hospital to undergo an operation.

Mr. M. Baraniuk who was on the section gang about a year ago is back on the job again after being stationed at Fabyan since leaving here.

Wetaskiwin Defeats Millet 4-3

MILLET — Wetaskiwin Junior Hockey team visited Millet on Thursday evening. The Millet team was ahead at the end of the second 3-1 but Wetaskiwin won two points in the third period and gained another in the overtime, making the final score 4-3 in favor of the visitors.

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CANADA'S TALKING MOOSE!



A talking moose from Alberta is caught by the camera being interviewed by Nancy Craig before a mike of the American Broadcasting Company in New York. He put over an enthusiastic plug for Jasper National Park, and helped Nancy with a C.N.R. tourist map to plan a Canadian vacation. Joe Laflamme, the animal's trainer, is in on the conference.

ROLLY VIEW NEWS

ROLLY VIEW — Born to Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Schubert on Jan. 26, in an Edmonton hospital, a son.

A meeting of all the members of St. Paul's Lutheran congregation of Rolly View has been called for Feb. 2 to discuss plans of a new church building. Over $11,000 has been voluntarily pledged to date.

The regular monthly meeting of the Rolly View Ladies' Aid was held on Jan. 28 in the parish basement. Election of officers took place. President is Mrs. S. Soch, re-elected. Mrs. E. Wegner is vice-president, Mrs. G. Hammermeister secretary, and Mrs. O. Blumenthal was elected treasurer. A Valentine party is being planned also.

A number of friends gathered on Jan. 26 at the home of Mr. Alfred Wagner to celebrate his 28th birthday.

Successful Dance Held Recently

MILLET — Lady Tweedsmuir W.I. held a very successful dance in the Porto Bello Jr. school on Jan. 14, Realizing $18.50 as net proceeds. They will sponsor a whist drive Friday night, Jan. 28 in the same school.

ST. ALBERT BRIEFS

ST. ALBERT — Mr. and Mrs. Renee Poirier of Vancouver were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Douziech. They also visited her parents in Lac la Biche. It has been seven years since they left St. Albert and it is the first time they have returned for a visit.

Miss Jean Akins started her first year of nursing on Monday at the General hospital. Good luck Jean!

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Gaulin who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bell are the proud parents of a baby boy. Congratulations!

Mr. C. Brodeur is having bad luck with his new Pontiac. I don't think it is the driver's fault. It must be the make of the car. Why don't you get a Chev.?

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. W. Monpetit is in the hospital. We hope that she will soon be up and around.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Barry's baby daughter Linda is also in the hospital. Hope she will soon be well again.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lafranchise were visitors in St. Albert last Monday.

Mr. Hubert Lamoureux of Watson Lake visited his sister and aunt here before returning to his employment.

Const. and Mrs. Arthur Rosengren have returned home after being away on a holiday for three weeks.

The Bruin Inn Coffee Shop was reopened last Thursday. The shop is under the management of Mrs. A. Sevigny.

Millet Curlers Visit Bentley

MILLET — Two rinks visited Bentley on Wednesday afternoon. One rink was skipped by Mr. Kenny Kerr, Jr., who formerly lived in Bentley and was one of that town's original curlers. The second rink was skipped by J. O. Barth. Out of the four games curled, Millet won one, tied one and lost two. But they report a most enjoyable day which included a dinner given the guests by the host rink.

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	(In millions of dollars)	
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Policies in Force	541.9	614.4
Assets	102.0	112.5
Income	24.5	26.7
Surplus Funds	7.0	8.1

The amount of new policies issued in 1948 was $121 millions, which exceeded the issue of any previous year.

The increase of insurance in force after deducting all policies terminated for whatever cause also exceeded the increase of any previous year before the exchange revaluation made by the company, under which all year-end items in sterling and related currency were converted at the rate of £1 equals $4 instead of at the rate of $4.65, as was done in 1947. All comparisons between figures of the two years must be read with this change in mind.

The increase of insurance in force in 1948 was $83 millions **before** and $72.5 millions **after** this change. The increase of assets was $13.5 millions **before** and $10.5 **after** this change — and similarly for all other year-end items including both assets and liabilities.

The average size of the company's policies has increased rapidly since the end of the war. The average of all policies issued in 1948 was $3,623, as compared with the average of all policies in force at December 31, 1945, of $2,446. In other words, the average size of policies now being issued is about 50 per cent larger than of those in force three years ago.

Premier income was $20.7 millions; amounts deposited $2.1 millions; investment income $3.8 millions, making the total 1948 income $26.7 millions.

Death claims, less reinsurance, were $2.3 millions; matured and surrendered policies $2.4 millions; annuity and deposit disbursements $2.4 millions; and dividends to policyholders $.8 millions.

Additions to policy reserves were $8.7 millions, policyholders' dividend reserve was increased $.4 millions and general surplus $.6 millions, while a contingency reserve of $1.5 millions was held.

The company has consistently had a most favorable mortality rate for many years past, and this was continued in 1948; in fact, the 1948 mortality rate was the second lowest in its history.

The assets of the company were distributed as follows:

	(in millions of dollars)	%
Government Bonds and Guarantees	$ 44.7	40
Provincial Bonds	5.8	5
Municipal Bonds	2.2	2
Public Utiilty and Industrial Bonds	16.1	14
Preferred Stocks	6.0	5
Common Stocks	3.9	3½
Mortgages	20.4	18
Real Estate	.4	½
Policy Loans	6.3	6
Cash	1.9	2
Accrued Items	4.8	4
.....	$112.5	100%

The first and largest item, comprising Government Bonds and Guarantees, is 40 per cent of the total. This proportion has steadily declined since the end of war financing in 1946. Most of the new money for investment has been placed in the bonds and preferred stocks of public utility and industrial companies and in mortgages on real estate. These last named items are the ones which are increasing both in absolute amount and in relative percentage at the present time.

The average rate of interest on the ledger assets is 4.01% on the Canadian assets and 3.72% on the assets as a whole.

The investment situation during the past year has shown a modest but definite improvement as regards security yields, following the action of the Bank of Canada in January and again in February last of lowering its bids on Dominion of Canada bonds. Furthermore, there has been greater opportunity for investing in mortgages, although great care must be exercised in making such loans because of the inflated values of real estate at the present time.

Obituary

WILLIAM F. MITCHELL

Funeral services for William F. Mitchell, 83, who passed away at his home in Lac la Biche on Friday, Jan. 28, were held at the home on Monday, Jan. 31 at 4:00 p.m. Mr. McFarlane officiated and interment was made in the Lac la Biche cemetery.

The pallbearers were Messrs. A. Arnfinsen, C. Calvert, R. Coutney, Paul Sandulack, I. McCulloch and Albert Jones.

Many beautiful floral tributes were received from his loving wife, from family, Dolly and Oscar and family, Ethel, Ed and Eddie; Arnfinson Bros., Mr. and Mrs. Hamar, Dedeluk and Kelly families, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schirrmacker, Steve Hamar, Mr. and Mrs. M. Stefanyk and Transit Hotel, Nick, Alex and Fred.

He is survived by his loving wife, five sons, John, Charlie, Ross, Elwin and Clifford, all of Lac la Biche; three daughters, Dolly, Edna and Emma of Lac la Biche and Ethel of Monte Creek, B.C. There are 19 grandchildren.

Mr. Mitchell was born in Saginaw, Mich., in 1865. He came to Canada in 1878 and railroaded with the Grand Trunk in Saskatchewan and Alberta. He married Phoebe Jane Sweass in 1883 and lived at Winnipegosis. They came to Alberta in 1910. In December, 1924 the family came to Lac la Biche where he lived until the time of his death.

Lake View Mortuary had charge of the arrangements.

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	Pts.
V. Arnfinson	34
J. Zaluzny	34
N. Michetti	32
P. Michetti	32
Y. Longevin	28
C. Wolstenholme	22
M. Bouvier	18
V. Mitchell	16
M. Williams	12

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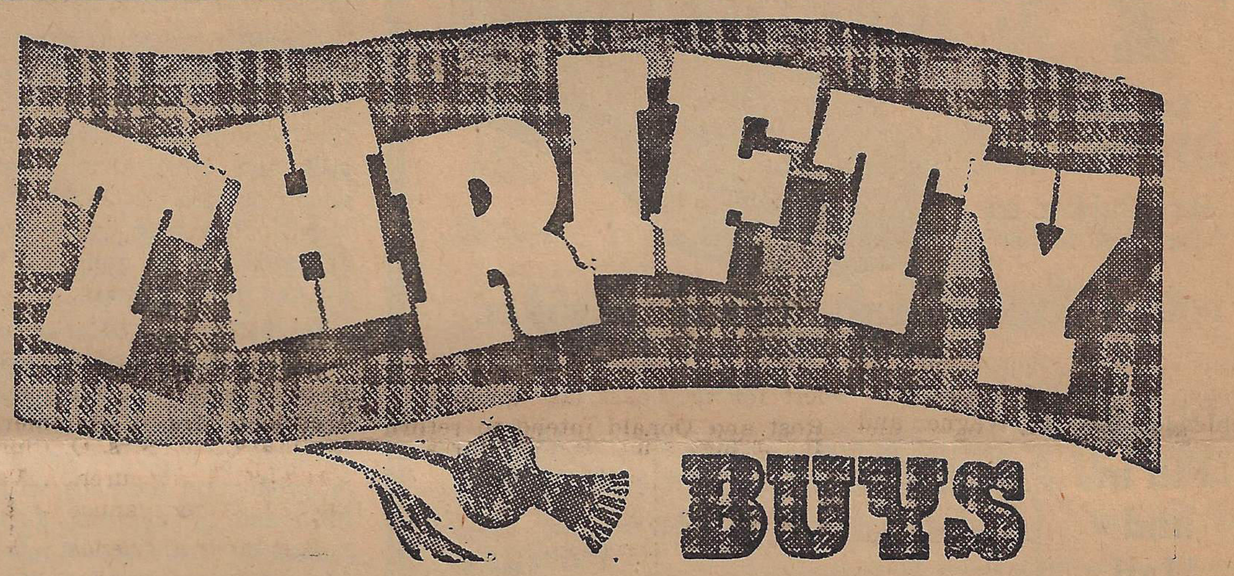
Men's Bowling League

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League standing after games played on Thursday, Jan. 27.

	W	L	Pts.
Coutney, E.	17	7	34
Shewchuk, L.	16	8	32
Christensen, B.	16	8	32
Michetti, R.	15	9	30
Richard, S.	10	14	20
Varze, V.	10	14	20
Howlett, B.	9	15	18
Cadzow, W.	9	15	18
McLaren, A.	7	17	14
Coutney, G.	6	18	12

NOTE: High single game still held by Ray Schelton at 316.



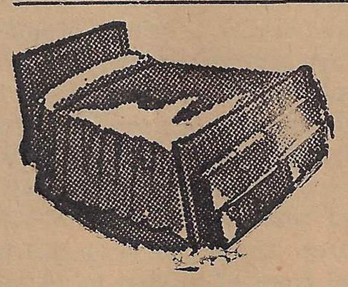
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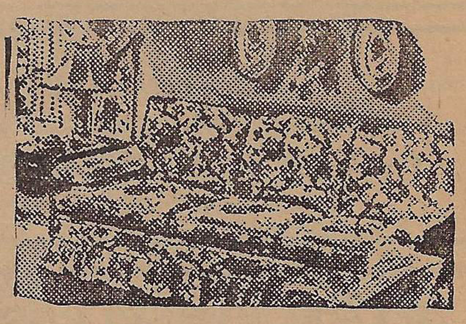
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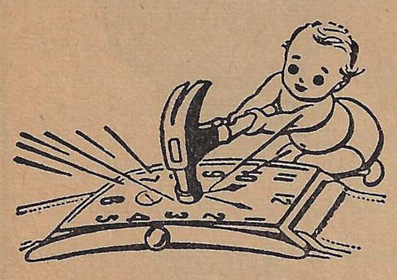
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CARDIFF

By SHIRLEY PARKER

Cardiff began in 1907 with the Cardiff Collieries which takes its name from the Cardiff mining fields in Wales. It was situated southeast of its present location. Our oldest residents Mr. and Mrs. Steve Richel arrived in 1907. Mrs. Richel was the second woman to arrive by way of a "democrat" across miles of muddy trails and muskeg.

The Cardiff Collieries was the second largest coal mine in Canada during its time. It was fully equipped with modern machinery. In 1910 the company built a tipple greater than any of its kind in Canada. During the same year the Banner Mine was opened and situated south of Cardiff Collieries. Not many months later the Alberta Mine began and was the only one to keep working steady through the depression.

At this time most of Cardiff was situated east of its present location. We had two hotels, two pool rooms, two butcher shops, a post office, a church, barber shops, grocery stores, a dance hall and a community hall. Approximately 1,000 people made their living by working in the coal mines. Among these people were musicians who organized a brass band and played for dances in surrounding towns. Cardiff was divided into three divisions: "Cardiff" to the southeast, "Pittsburgh" to the west, and "Mackenzie" west of Pittsburgh.

The three mines worked steadily until 1921 when the miners went on strike for higher wages. The strike lasted a year which caused the coal orders to be taken by other provincial collieries. When the men finally decided to go back to work they only found that there were no jobs available because of the lack of orders. Gradually the people drifted from Cardiff taking up farms in the surrounding districts or moving to other coal mining towns. The Alberta Mine managed to scrape by on the local orders until 1945.

When the first school in Cardiff started the teacher had to keep order among 100 children for $75 monthly. Our immediate two-room school was built in 1920. Many of you readers have seen it as the unused room in our "dance hall." School has been held in it until this last year when a teacher was unavailable. The 28 children have been going to Frontenac and Morinville with a new school van.

Cardiff's present population is 140. We have two small stores operated by Mr. L. Grant and Mr. M. Onafrychuk respectively. There is still the Protestant Church in which service is held twice a month. The post office has been operated by Mr. and Mrs. C. Bird for the past 22 years.

In 1945 Mr. P. Cote, seeing good coal stripping prospects, leased the land behind the church from Mr. L. Parker. The coal is now being obtained by more modern and faster production methods with draglines and latourneaus. It is then loaded by steam shovel into trucks where it is trapped into the tipple, cleaned and screened into different sizes. Again it is loaded into trucks and conveyed to the ramp where it is dumped into boxcars. A new spur has been put in which holds almost 30 boxcars. For the first three years of its existance Sundance (formerly Alberta) mines has been doing a roaring business and the future looks just as promising.

European Educational Exchanges

Teams of school inspectors from Europe will visit schools in Britain this summer to see how education is organized in Britain. Arrangements have also been made for school inspectors in Britain to visit France next year, and special courses for United Kingdom teachers are being organized by the Ministry of Education in Paris, Rome, Norway, Germany and West Africa. There is, in addition, to be another course for teachers of Western European nations to study the eductaional foundations of Western Union.

R. N. Completes Major Salvage Operation

Britain's Royal Navy has just recovered from Malta Grand Harbor a large floating dock sunk there by enemy bombers in 1940. The dock was 960 feet long, 180 in breadth and 70 in depth. Its recovery presented experts with an unusually difficult problem due to strain caused by bomb damage and weakness from eight years' corrosion by seawater. The entire dock has now been towed away for breaking up. It will provide some 27,000 tons of scrap metal.

CINEMATIC REHABILITATION

Ex-newspaperman Arthur Hecht, who portrays a physician in the Hal Wallis production of "Bitter Victory," started out in pictures by enacting the constantly wayward lad in a series of films "for adults only."

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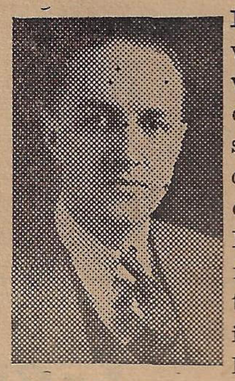
FINDING ONE'S SELF IN A RUT

After travelling merrily along the road of life for some time, thinking you are in the "groove," it is a disheartening experience to find that the groove is really just a rut. How I long to be like those who can quickly rise above the ordinary daily grind and fly like the birds to a distant land!

If I had my absolute choice of a vocation, I think I'd settle for the situation of a free-lance writer who sells a thousand dollar story every few weeks to such publications as Collier's, Saturday Evening Post, etc., and whose workshop consists of a hotel room (anywhere in the world) and a typewriter.

FLIGHT OF FANCY

Since I have no such prospect in view, I shall have to settle on the dream-like qualities of fancy (I can dream, can't I,) and start out with my typewriter case in one hand and a suitcase in the other and head east to Toronto. I have a lot of friends there of ten years' standing who, I hope, have now forgotten most of my bad points and from whom I would expect a warm welcome. I would travel by train instead of plane (money is no object on this trip) to take up extra time required to catch up on some good books I've been intending to read and just haven't had the time to.



T. W. Pue

I expect to stay only a few days in Toronto, and during that time hope the temperature never gets higher than zero. Because I'm going to step into a TCA plane and in 4½ hours' flying time land in sub-tropical Bermuda. I want to enjoy the thrill of going from winter to summer just like that.

BICYCLE TOUR

Even though there are now a few autos in Bermuda, I'd prefer to ride around the island on a good bicycle. I understand you can rent bicycles easily and of course I want to see Bermuda and go to the other end of the paths that stop at the sea and go in for a swim in the salt water.

OCEAN TOUR

After that I'd like to commandeer a good stout sailing ship and tour the West Indies. Seems that's what a former boss of mine—former publisher of the Edmonton Bulletin, Charles E. Campbell, Sr., is doing now with his new bride whom he acquired in a quiet wedding in Toronto earlier this month. After several months of touring—it says in the Edmonton Bulletin—Charlie and the new Mrs. Campbell will take up residence somewhere in western Canada.

FORMULA FOR TRAVEL

After many years starting as travelling salesman for silks and satins, progressing from one stage to another as a publisher in Vancouver, Mr. Campbell managed about 25 years ago to reduce his wealth to cold cash and ventured forth to Mexico to make a fortune in the oil business. Mexican oil stocks have the habit of jumping around like a Mexican Jumping Bean and according to what Mr. Campbell told me he lost instead of gained in this venture. So he returned to Canada, sadder, poorer and wiser.

Then he bought the Regina Star in Regina and about the same time the then defunct Edmonton Bulletin for about $30,000 and 23 years later (Jan. 1, 1947) sold it for $650.000. (He had already sold the Star).

A few months later, in quick succession Mr. Campbell lost his wife and his aged mother and without a newspaper to keep him busy must have found life with half a million dollars and nothing to do a drab and uninteresting thing.

So, if you ever find yourself in that situation remember that travel is a good way to banish boredom, and a honeymoon is as good as anything else to give impetus to your travel tendencies.

ANOTHER FORMULA

I have a friend, name of Jack Bird, of Brandon, Man., who has acquired neither a half-million dollars or a bride but, when it comes to travelling, does very well, thank you.

In 1925 he set out with a one-way railway ticket and a few dollars to San Francisco intent on joining the U.S. Navy. He arrived there broke and hungry and on enquiring the way to the navy recruiting office was given directions that led straight to the Army recruiting station.

Jack soon changed his mind about joining the navy when the army sergeant told him the next draft was slated for the Phillipines. But a few months later they sent him to Hawaii where he spent 13 months in service and after leaving the army made one or two return trips with a notebook and camera. He has pictures and curios of Hawaii all over the house.

A BOAT FOR HOME

Jack has always wanted to own a good sailing boat that he could live in and sail wherever he chose. But he has not yet managed this.

When World War II broke out he joined the Royal Canadian Artillery at once, hoping to get overseas fast but it took nearly a year before he got across, Then he travelled up and down the length and breadth of England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland until "D" Day, 1944.

After seeing service in Europe he returned to Canada. His most recent trip was a two months' jaunt in October and November to 21 Latin-American countries in South and Central America and the West Indies.

Tony Cyr, manager of Beaver Alberta Lumber yard at Killam spent some time in the Argentine with a machinery company. I don't suppose many of his friends have heard him tell about this but Mr. Cyr says that the big trouble these companies have is getting their travellers to foreign countries to stay put for a reasonable length of time. Seems most of them get homesick and want to come back too soon. Mr. Cyr returned to Argentina after the first trip and enjoyed the experience.

If Jack Bird at Brandon gets his boat (and I think he will), he won't have to worry about homesickness, because wherever he is, his boat will be there and his home, too.

Meanwhile, Charlie Campbell will be house-hunting in western Canada in the approved manner of a newly-wed and I shall still be in the same rut.

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Duties of Rink Personnel

(From The Lethbridge Herald)

LEAD A LOWLY PERSON, SECOND A MERE MAN, THIRD A GENTLEMAN AND SKIP AN IDEAL CURLER

The following are the duties of the various members comprising an average rink of curlers, as outlined by an expert:

THE LEAD—A LOWLY PERSON

This is a very lowly person who throws the first pair of rocks. He is supposed to thank the Diety once a day in his prayer that he even exists, let alone being allowed to play at bonspiel time. All curlers have served this period of apprenticeship and it is a remarkable fact that 90 per cent of them have never served long enough. He always addresses the skip as "Sir" and the third man as "Mr." This lead person is expected to see that the four pairs of rocks belonging to his rink are on the ice and cleaned five minutes before the game starts. He must do no less than 75 per cent of the sweeping; he is expected to keep the skip supplied with cigarettes, and at bonspiel time to purchase at least one bottle of Scotch essence per diem. This is to be consumed by the rest of the rink and the skip of the rink defeated that day, just one drink per defeated skip. He is not even allowed over the hog line. His curling must be perfect or he is blamed for the loss of all games in which his rink suffers defeat. He may tell the second what he thinks about the skip, but no one else. After many years he becomes a skip if he survives the sarcasm of his associates.

THE SECOND PLAYER—"MERE" MAN

This person is but a degree removed from the lead. He is expected to do 15 per cent of the sweeping. He also, as the lead, is expected to keep the skips supplied with cigarettes and the third man with matches. He must on all occasions get the rock he is to pick out otherwise he is blamed for loss of games. His chief duty is to see that the lead does not forget to purchase the bottle for the day, and in case of emergency, to assist the lead in financing the purchase of this article. He is the one who is allowed to insult the lead, the third and skip considering it beneath his dignity to address either of them in conversation except to ask, "Where's the bottle?"

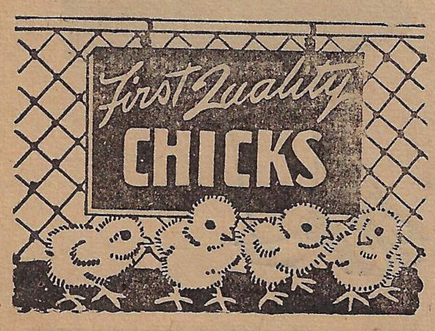
THE THIRD PLAYER—A GENTLEMAN

This gentleman is in a class by himself always. He could skip the rink, in fact he always could skip it far better than the skip doing the job now. He assumes an air of superiority over all the leads and seconds and of more condescension to his skip. He does the remaining 10 per cent of the sweeping. He holds the broom for the skip to shoot, and invariably tells the skip that he should have tried the shot he, the third man, had chosen and not the one he, the skip, had just missed. He is the person who uses the chalk for putting up all points made by his side (if any). He then gives the skip the occasional cigarette, lends him a match and gives him a lot of unsolicited advice and generally embarrases and befuddles the skip as much as possible so that when the game is lost he can say with some apparent justification that he should be skipping. This is the highest compliment you can pay a third man, that he should be a skip. They admit it always but they labor on as if waiting to take the game out from under sad defeat.

THE SKIP—AN IDEAL CURLER

His chief delight and happiest expectation is to have the privilege of putting on guards with both his rocks. This privilege is always denied him. He has to knock out shots when he can only see an eyebrow. He must draw onto the button, making it by eighths of inches. He must play a runner shot and draw the next. He must take out four rocks with one shot and then lay one on the button and generally make himself useful, knowing that if he wins his rinks get the credit and if he loses he alone bears the blame. He must have the patience of Job and the aggressiveness of Napoleon, must never complain or he will be classed as a poor sport.

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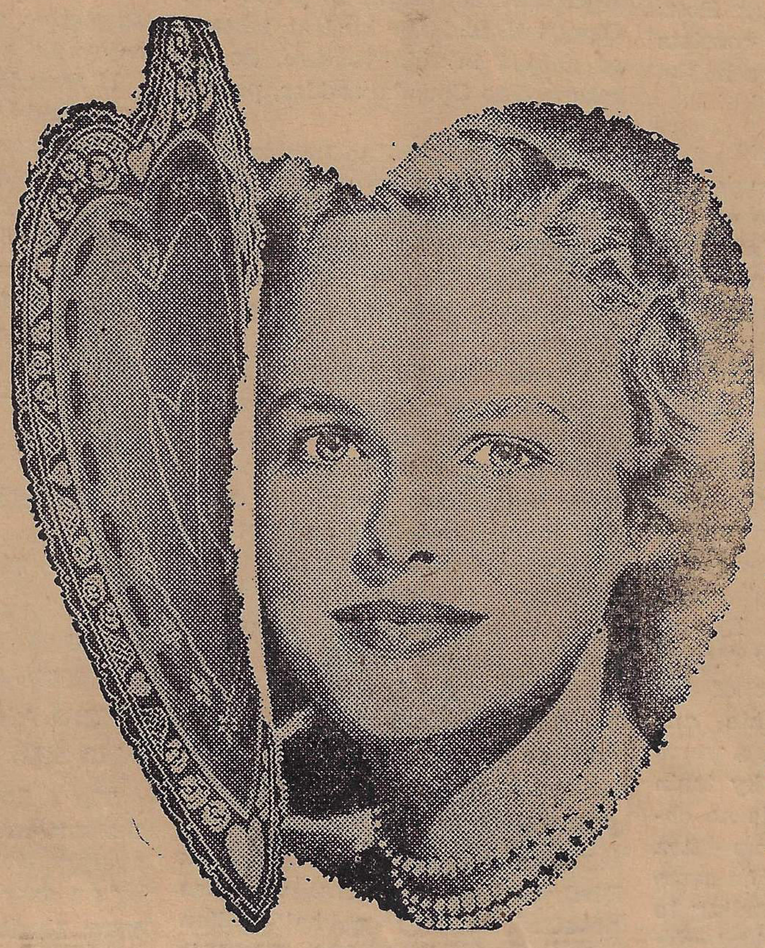
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